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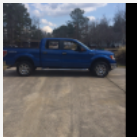


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[Brandon L Thompson](#)

Junior Member

[Thread Starter](#)



Join Date: Mar 2014
 Posts: 13

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#2

brianw00482014 STX SCREW
iTrader: (1)Join Date: Mar 2014
Location: Barboursville, WV
Posts: 709
Thanks: 56
Thanked 106 Times in 67
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I have 3 or 4 on my '14 that were like that. I took a dremel and cut off the chrome cap.

I thought it was from the dealer using air tools to put the lugs back on, but of course they won't admit that's the issue.

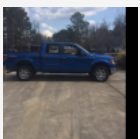
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#3

**Brandon L
Thompson**

Junior Member

Join Date: Mar 2014
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I was thinking the same thing about the air tools. Like you said they are not gonna admit it. An now I'm having another issue. The Tire Pressure Sensor Fault just came on.

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08-30-2016, 11:39 AM

#4

berty

Beer, Boats, and Trucks.



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dont look back. Very common issue with the crappy OEM lugs. Two dissimilar



Join Date: Oct 2015
Location: Baltimore, MD
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08-30-2016, 11:43 AM

#5

Jack-Daniel

Senior Member



Join Date: Oct 2015
Location: Ontario's Near North
Posts: 451
[Thanks: 78](#)
Thanked 77 Times in [52 Posts](#)

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corrosion causing cap to split from my 2011

There are other threads on this problem.
corrosion under the 'cap' then the socket won't fit> #1 issue
'tech' not using the proper deep socket, twisting the crap out of the 'cap'

Last edited by Jack-Daniel; 08-30-2016 at 11:46 AM.

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08-30-2016, 11:44 AM

#6

techrep

Mark



iTrader: (1)



Join Date: Jan 2009
Location: Va. Beach, VA.
Posts: 30,489
[Thanks: 595](#)
Thanked 1,390 Times in [1,246 Posts](#)

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That looks like somebody used the improper socket to try and remove it..

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#7

berty

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Location: Baltimore, MD
Posts: 3,042
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oh yikes, picture didn't load the first time I read through but yeah like stated above looks like they didn't seat the socket all the way back on the nut

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08-30-2016, 11:53 AM #8

93Cobra#2771

Senior Member



iTrader: (2)



Join Date: Mar 2011
Posts: 1,679
[Thanks: 68](#)
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The lugs suck, pure and simple.

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08-30-2016, 02:38 PM #9

farmalldxe

Member



Join Date: Dec 2015
Location: Altoona, PA
Posts: 31
Thanks: 0
Thanked 12 Times in [6 Posts](#)

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My 2011 has this happening. One of the caps is loose, would make one think the nut is coming off.

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08-30-2016, 02:52 PM #10

humblerb

Senior Member



Join Date: Mar 2012
Posts: 401
[Thanks: 22](#)
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These are all related contributors to the issue.
The lugs are cheap.
When you turn them (doesn't matter if air wrench or manual), the thin outer cap will deform.
Next time, the fit will be tighter and the cap will deform more.
Eventually, the cap will deform to where the lug wrench won't fit, so the tire jockey just moves up a size on the socket.
Then the cap deforms even more.
Eventually the cap breaks and falls off.
Then you go back to a smaller socket on the bare nut.

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#11

[KP Texan](#)

Senior Member

Join Date: Feb 2013
 Location: Melissa, TX
 Posts: 314
[Thanks: 21](#)
 Thanked 42 Times in [34](#)
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Quote:

Originally Posted by [berty](#) 
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#12

[diegoo.jayjay](#)

Senior Member

Join Date: Dec 2013
 Location: Acton, California
 Posts: 425
[Thanks: 56](#)
 Thanked 35 Times in [31](#)
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Quote:

Originally Posted by [KP Texan](#) 
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A few of us have these. I have them and they are great solid and all one piece. No issues expected ever.

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08-31-2016, 10:34 AM

#13

[berty](#)

Beer, Boats, and Trucks.



Join Date: Oct 2015
 Location: Baltimore, MD
 Posts: 3,042



Okay good it does work. I was thinking the link only looked good for me cause I was signed in or something. But yeah, these are great! Look awesome and no issues/no worries whatsoever



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09-01-2016, 11:08 AM

#14

[Douma](#)

Junior Member

Join Date: Jan 2014

Location: Canada

Posts: 18

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Cost me a few bucks at my last service b/c the tech had to beat them out of his socket with a hammer due to the major deformation. Nevermind the replacement cost for new ones.

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QUOTE

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#15

[berty](#)

Beer, Boats, and Trucks.



Join Date: Oct 2015

Location: Baltimore, MD

Posts: 3,042

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09-01-2016, 12:47 PM

#16

[93Cobra#2771](#)

Senior Member



iTrader: (2)



Join Date: Mar 2011

Posts: 1,679

Thanks: [68](#)Thanked 147 Times in [105](#)[Posts](#)

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My travel trailer came with the same dang stuff. Thought I was losing my mind when I was having so much trouble getting them out of my socket. Those caps suck.

QUOTE

09-08-2016, 10:45 PM

#17

[dtaylorfd](#)

Member



Join Date: Nov 2013

Posts: 64

Thanks: [6](#)Thanked 4 Times in [3](#) Posts

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Does anyone have these in black?

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/B00ZSDHHN2/ref=ox_sc_act_image_2?ie=UTF8&psc=1&smid=A2A65CUIZ_M9PM8

How does the black on it hold up?

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09-08-2016, 10:52 PM

#18

[PerryB](#)

Senior Member

Join Date: May 2014

Location: Chico, Ca.

Posts: 1,995

Thanks: [130](#)Thanked 301 Times in [251](#)[Posts](#)

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"The lugs get hot and the chrome swells " Now I think I actually HAVE heard them all.

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09-09-2016, 07:41 AM

#19

Spiky

Senior Member

Join Date: Jul 2015
Location: Minneapolis
Posts: 1,197
[Thanks: 31](#)
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You think the funky two-piece design costs less? I would think the opposite.

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